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TAGS: SHUM, PFOR, AR, BL  
SUBJECT: ALLEGED BOLIVIAN EXPULSION OF ARGENTINE NATIONAL STAMPONI  
REF: STATE 108637

EMBASSY FILES SHOW THAT LUIS FAUSTINO STAMPONI HAS HAD LONG AND ACTIVE ASSOCIATION WITH ERP AND ELN DATING BACK TO EARLY 1960S. HE HAS BEEN ARRESTED AND DETAINED ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS FOR TERRORIST ACTIVITIES AND SMUGGLING ARMS BETWEEN BOLIVIA AND ARGENTINA. ACCORDING TO UNHCR REP (PROTECT), STAMPONI IS ONE OF SEVERAL ARGENTINE NATIONALS ALLEGEDLY FORCEABLY REPATRIATED FROM BOLIVIA SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR. UNHCR MADE A DEMARCHE TO THE BOLIVIAN GOVT IN EARLY MAY ON THE GENERAL SUBJECT OF REFOULEMENT OF ALLEGED ARGENTINE FUGITIVES BUT HAS RECEIVED NO REPLY. IT HAS NOT YET DISCUSSED THE SUBJECT WITH GOA AUTHORITIES. USUALLY RELIABLE EMBASSY SOURCES SUPPORT UNHCR'S INFORMATION THAT BOLIVIA IS COOPERATING WITH ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES IN RETURNING ALLEGED ARGENTINE TERRORISTS. EMBASSY HAS NO INFORMATION ON MRS. MAFALDA STAMPONI NOR ANY FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE WHEREABOUTS OR STATUS OF EITHER STAMPONI.  
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